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24, VILLIERS STREET,

ASHTON-UNDER-LYNE.

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Dear Sir, I venture to write you as an old member of the A.N.A. to say how glad I am that you are giving some encouragement to my friend Mr. W. H. Valentine of Leytonstone, London. He is a most worthy fellow, an example of our better class of working-men. He has visited us here, and I have spent two very pleasant evenings with him at his house. Besides which he has had all my books and coins that were at all useful in the

study which he has specially taken up. He has mastered Arabic sufficient to be of service in reading coins &c - a study from which I have shrank though I realised its importance. And he is well known at the British Museum, and to Dr. O. Codrington, of the Royal Numismatic and Royal Asiatic Societies - and he is much appreciated as well as well known.

I hear from Mr Farnan Lerbe to-day that he will have further note in the "Numismatist" - and that the previous note is due to you - referring to Mr Valentine's proposed book. I had a

also to-day from Mr. V. himself  
detailing his proposal still to  
improve &c. I do hope he  
gets sufficient subscribers to  
make him satisfied - for  
he has worked long and ear-  
nestly at the book.

My own collection is  
of coins below silver in value  
- but I find them of great  
interest - I cannot afford  
the more costly R. & N. And  
I feel indebted to Mr. V. for  
many which he has attribu-  
ted for me.

May I hear from you  
at your convenience?

Yours very truly,  
Daniel G. Howorth.

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24, VILLIERS STREET,

ASHTON-UNDER-LYNE.

23rd Aug<sup>r</sup> 1910.

Dear Mr. Wood,

Yesterday's post brought me several things from over the "herring pond" - amongst them the two copies of "Canadian Blacksmith's Coppers" which you have been so kind as to send me - and for these I thank you very heartily.

— Probably almost before this note reaches you, you will be hearing that some of my collection is to be sold by my friend Mr. Lyman H. Low in New York. I have sent to him my British, British Colonies and my U.S. pieces. But I have excepted all the British Colonies and Possessions

in Asia - these, together with all other Eastern and Far Eastern coins, and those showing European connection with the Orient, are being retained by me to keep me "out of mischief," and provide food for study to.

Mr. Low has been known to me by correspondence for many years. I have never seen him. And I have placed my coins in his hands for sale, feeling secure in doing so - and preferring the method of selling by auction in America as contrasted with the English custom. These coins are sold rather to the advantage of dealers than of collectors. And I wish to sell during my life-time

(I was 68 the other day) rather than trouble my son who is my executor, and does not know so much about coins. I propose to send Mr. Low, from time to time, such lots as -

France & French colonies  
Portugal, Colonies & Brazil  
Scandinavia & Russia  
(retaining Siberian mints)  
German Empire & States  
& Austrian do do  
Italy & Italian States  
& Switzerland  
Spain, Colonies & Spanish America  
Balkan States (excepting Turkey  
tr. tr. tr.

I shall be pleased to know what is your opinion as to my proposed procedure - though I fear that I am too far committed to the course for any withdrawal. What I have already sent are over 2500 in number, and I suppose there are over 10,000 in the above named lots



With kind regards to you  
I remain,

Very truly yours,  
Daniel J. Howorth.

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24, VILLIERS STREET,

ASHTON-UNDER-LYNE.

25<sup>th</sup> Oct. 1910.

Dear Mr. Wood,

Your note of the 16<sup>th</sup> just arrived yesterday, and I want to reply at once - to say  
First - that I am glad you approve of my selling thro' Mr. Dymally H. Low. I have known him by correspondence, for many years, and have always found him very reliable. I much prefer the American mode of selling by auction, as contrasted with the London method. I have now on the way to Mr. Low my French & Italian Series - as Part II about 1000 French & Colonies & 2000 Italian &c. I propose to send for sale, as follows -

- pt 1 England - Colonies & U.S. (Sold)  
- 2 France & Italy  
- 3 Russia & Scandinavia  
- 4 Germany, Austria, Low Countries  
+ Switzerland  
- 5 Portugal, Colonies & Brazil  
- 6 Spain, Colonies & Spanish America

but I am including no oriental colonies in any of the series - e.g. I am retaining British India, French India, Russian China & Georgia, Danish India, Portuguese India & Malacca - & all Asiatic. What will ultimately come of them I cannot tell.

Second - to refer to your rubbings. I, too, have Spanish Coppers of Joanna & Charles with the *Qm* 'Rey' - but I am unable to say what it is. I asked M. Jay one time if he could explain it - but he replied confessing ignorance also. Besides these I have also *C/m* Spanish as enclosed. Your rubbing A (Roman *Qm* 4 & 1652) is also very interesting - but I, too, must plead ignorance of its origin. The

Signs. 4 remain of the 'Lion  
Chimney' - but I have not seen one  
of the IV or A. I have the 8 & XI -  
do not rubbing - and I have VI  
but none marked IV etc. Phil IV  
is a very mixed reign, so far as  
A. is concerned, and I have  
the appearance of A.

I am not able to say  
if the signs are - now d. -  
would similar to the 'u' -  
way of rubbing? I have  
seen some like it's. I have seen  
some like it's. I have seen

the 'u' - d. -  
Havana bears a key in its coat-  
of-arms? Can the 'p.' -  
be used to cut? I don't  
think that Gibraltar has  
connection with it.

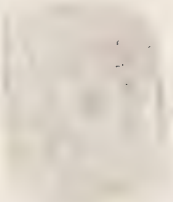
Yours very truly,  
Daniel S. ...



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24, VILLIERS STREET,

ASHTON-UNDER-LYNE.

13<sup>th</sup> Febry. 1911

Dear Mr. Wood,

I fear that I too must  
plead guilty to omission - for I  
see that your last letter is  
dated 11<sup>th</sup> Decr. 1910. And now  
1911 is getting well on. But I  
too may also lay the blame  
on circumstance. I am the Assistant  
Clerk of this town and several  
other neighbouring Townships. I  
do not know whether you have  
anything corresponding to the  
Office in the ~~U.S.~~ U.S. - but it  
keeps me constantly busy and  
my leisure is but small.

You would see me in  
the Chamber Municipalist -  
it is said to be a good portrait.

The paragraph about me, p. 263  
is very kindly put - but there  
is one mistake. 'Rest' is not  
an occupation with me. I have  
much enjoyment and cause for  
thankfulness in still being able  
to work.

And the January number  
of our Association's "Numismatist"  
has recently arrived. I shall  
be glad to do some writing for  
it - but when I cannot say -  
for I lack the leisure. However  
as busy men do the most, I must  
try. I have still my "Spanish,  
Colonial and Spanish American  
Coppers; my <sup>21</sup>Portuguese, Colonial  
and Brazilian coppers also.  
Perhaps I might put something  
together about one or other of  
these separate series. And I  
have my "Asiatic & Arabian  
Medal Countries. And these

(11, 21, & 31) I intend to retain and work up.

I, too, have several Ym  
coppers - I have usually kept  
any that I came across. Some-  
time I will send you a list of  
them. I think your idea  
as to Harana as being respon-  
sible for the Key Ym is a  
good one - the Key appears in  
the arms of Harana, I believe.

I was sorry to hear  
recently that our friends -  
Lynnan H. Low and Mrs Low -  
had been very ill - he  
tells me they barely escaped  
from pneumonia. We have got  
so far in friendly correspo-  
ndence that we begin to give  
some attention to family mat-  
ters. And he writes me oc-  
casionally when he is away  
on the summer holiday with  
his wife.

My own - and only - son, is  
now on a cruise in the Medi-  
terranean for his health. He  
is over 30 years of age, but -  
still remains at home with  
his younger sister, his mother  
and myself.

I will write Ramsden as  
to outfit for rubbings - he has  
sent me many recently, beau-  
tifully done by his method.  
Though I am already much  
in his debt.

With kind regards,

Yours very truly,  
Daniel J. Howarth

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24, VILLIERS STREET,

ASHTON-UNDER-LYNE.

15<sup>th</sup> Feby. 1911

Dear Mr. Wood,

I have just been favoured with a look, at your paper on 'Coins struck at Omdurman' and have to remark upon it -

1) That I have not anything before A.H. 131. -

2) That I have only 131. , 1311 , 1312 + 1315. -

3) That I have ventured to pencil a 'H' against those which I have, in the paper, which you have sent - whether it will ever reach you again I do not know. It came

to me from my friend Mr  
W.A. Valentine - and from  
Mr Allan of the B.M. to him.

4) That the enclosed rubbing shows the only coin that I have which you do not mention, I think - though I have several minor varieties (which you refer to.) It is copper washed with a thin coating of silver.

My preference for copper has not greatly added to my Omdurman coins.

I have not yet got the outfit for your kind of rubbings. I must write Ramsden asking him to send me. I have several beautiful rubbings from him - especially of the  
Chino - Mohammedan Coins, of

which he has a wonderful  
series.

Hoping you are very  
well I remain

Sincerely yours,  
Daniel J. Howarth.

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C.E.,

under Lyne.

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